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THE DEAD AND MISSING

THE GERMAN MILITARY expert, Major Ernst Moraht, has estimated lesses to the Allies, by dead and missing. His total is close to 7,000,000. He does not state the figures for German losses. He claims, however, that the German availables are now in excess of those of the Allies. This amounts to an admission of very great German losses. The figures for the Allies may be too high. The inference as to German losses would give a figure, perhaps too low. It may be that losses by prisoners, and deaths from sickness and wounds, will total 10,-000,000 for all engaged.

The heaviest loss falls upon Russia, which has the most poorly organized and equipped forces, among which sanitation

Be the figures more or less, they represent a price terrible

SLANDERING THE SEAMAN'S LAW

THE FARMER has referred to LaFollette's editorial, exposing the slanders involved in most of the assaults on the Seaman's law. The Hartford Courant also has read this editorial, and has twice commented on it, on both occasions to the disadvantage of Senator LaFollette and of the law. But, curiously, on neither occasion does it refer to the status of the Pacific Mail and The Robert Dollar line, perhaps because the facts beautifully lined throughout would dynamite The Gourant's own position. There is no proof and perfectly tailored. that ships will be driven from the sea, by this law. If the law will prevent more Eastland catastrophes, it will be welcome.

The Pacific Mail does not leave the sea, but does leave railroad ownership, because of provisions in the Panama canal law, requiring steamships to separate from railroad controls

Have the steamship companies no merit in their case, that they are obliged to rely upon concealments and glaring false-

THE NEED FOR PREPARATION

T SEEMS NECESSARY that the United States shall look to its military preparation. By the logic of events, and by the laws of trade, as well as by the operation of modern inventions-such as cable telegraph, wireless, swift ships, submarines and so on-this country no longer occupies a position of isolation with respect to Europe.

In one way, or another, the issues of the war threaten, sooner or later, to involve the United States. It will be many years before the old certainty as to peace with all the world can \$4.00. \$5.00 and some of At very small prices.

In shipping ammunition to the Allies, we do a lawful thing. Even Germany and Austria admit it. But the hostility that flows from the trade will linger long. If we cease to ship ammunition, enmity in an equal degree will be incurred from the Britannic allies.

Therefore America, having followed the road thus far, must prepare to keep the path she has chosen. This will require many forts, guns, ships, and armies.

Since preparation must be made, it were better that it be soon made.

A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CRIMES

HAT IS THE difference between Becker's crime, for which the law slew him, and the crime by which more than 1,000 men, women and children were drowned in the Eastland? Those responsible for that crime will not be killed by the state. Becker's homicide consumed, so far as he was concerned, but one life. The culpable operation of the Eastland was a thousand fold more fatal, and the life destroyed was more socially useful, individual for individual, than the life Becker took.

The difference consists in this. The law regards men and women as free moral agents. As such an agent Becker, so the law held, deliberately planned to murder. He forsaw the consequences of his act, and intended the very thing that happened.

The guilty persons connected with the Eastland disaster are also free moral agents. But they are presumed not to have forseen the consequences of what they were doing. They did not intend to kill anybody. Their purpose was simply to make money out of their investment.

So their guilt-to the law-is of a lower grade, and, at the most, they will be purished for manslaughter; which means they will be punished-if they are punished-for being grossly careless and negligent of human life, in the building, sailing and be sold. The Skirt Department Two-burner low frames

management of their boat. It is fortunate for the owners of the Eastland the law does ing the alteration of the denot punish lack of imagination. A little imagination would have partment, but once laundering saved Becker, who was intellectually too feeble to weigh the will bring out a perfect skirt. consequences of his acts?

The responsible persons connected with the Eastland probably have more imagination than Becker. But when greed, or desire for profits, was placed upon the scale of their minds, it out-balanced imagination, and their faculties of prevision were not powerful enough to show them the consequences of their

The Eastland case ought to carry its lesson. The culpable must be punished as fully as the law permits. If imagination cannot be developed by religion, by science, by the promptings of a generous nature, it must be developed by the rod.

MILKMAN BADLY HURT WHEN HIT BY AUTOIST

Naw Haven, Aug. 2 .- Alfred Ru-

NEW YORK NAVY YARD WILL BUILD ENGINES

New York, Aug. 2 .- Officers of the wet, aged 20, in his milk wagon bound New York Navy Yard had received for West Haven to serve customers semi-official information to-day that first at daylight, was probably fatally either three large submarines or the hurt when an automobile driven by Francis J. Gamble, son of the late Dalifornia will be constructed there. This appearance. Were made to ress avenue. Coroner Mix was called to see Ruwet and Gamble is under the coroner's orders. With Gam-ble in his machine was Deputy Sheriff nounced that the keel of the Cal-E. R. Regan, of Branford.

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for business will find what designs, they need.

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A number of partly soiled and mussed White Skirts to was moved several times dur- Three-burner high frames

Models in Linen, Corduroy, Ratine, Pique, and other skirting

weaves. Were \$1.00 and \$1.25 for 85 cts. Were \$1.50 and \$2.00 for \$1.25. Were \$2.50 and \$3.00 for \$2.00. Were \$5.00 and \$6.00 for \$3.50.

Palm Beach Skirts

The genuine Palm Beach and a label to guarantee the fact in each one. Perfectly

> Sale Price \$2.00 Very special.

AUGUST CLEARANCE SALE CONTINUED Furniture special prices and discounts until August fifteenth All other departments for one week, closing Saturday night

Consider your immediate and future needs and visit every floor and section. Many tempting offerings are never listed in the papers.



The Furniture Sale

Never before have there been offered greater values early fall. Our stock of Coats in Furniture, and space prohibits us from giving detailed was very low, so it was neces- lists of the various attractions. It is not possible for sary to go to market and the Furniture to be held or stored and immediate deliveries buyer obtained a fine line at must be made. That is one reason of the generous reend-of-the-season prices. Sev- ductions. Floor space is needed. An early visit to the eral hundred Coats in the sale, department is advisable, for delay sometimes means dis-

Bedroom Sets, Period Styles

Mahogany Set, Adam period, Bed, Dresser and Chiffonier, was \$173.50 American Walnut Set, Bed, Dresser, Chiffonier, Dress-

ing Table, Night Stand, two Chairs and Rocker, was \$289.50 Colonial Enamel Set, Bed, Bureau with mirror, Chiffonier. An attractive set, the bed with low posts, spool

turned, was \$104.25 Oak Set, Bed, Dresser, Chiffonier and Dressing Table, was for \$88.00 \$110.25 Ivory Enamel Set, 3 pieces, was \$144.50 for \$115.00

Fancy China

Stock Patterns, Odd Pieces A collection of the many odd dishes needed in all

households, meat platters, covered dishes, sauceboats, plates, fruit and cereal saucers, sugar bowls, etc. In a variety These have been marked at of wares and patterns, English and domestic porcelains.

Smoking Sets, Trays and Stands

Sets in brass, nickel and copper, with glass trays. Also the useful and convenient Smoker's Stand in several finishes.

At half original prices.

Jardinieres

Beautiful exampes of Roma Ivory, Verd Green and Rozane Ware, with or without pedestals. Fancy glazed pottery in various colors.

Handsome Gray Stone Jars for gardens, terraces and

steps.					Maria Carlo Control		
Were \$12	2.00 for	\$9.60	3	Were	\$2.50	for	\$2.00
Were \$10	.00 for	\$8.00	7	Were	\$1.50	for	\$1.20
Were \$ 8	.00 for	\$6.40	7	Were	\$1.25	for	\$1.00
Were \$ 6	6.00 for	\$4.80	7	Were	\$1.00	for	\$.80
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Silver ware

English Sheffield Ware and other Silverplate, Tea Fifty Wool Dresses, made Sets, Nut Bowls, Coffee Cups and Saucers, Fern Dishes, up to sell at prices from \$7.50 Syrup Cups, Candlesticks and Smoking Sets, Bon Bon Dishto \$12.00, offered in this sale es, plain and openwork patterns, a small assortment,

Half original prices. Other Silverware, Tea Sets, Fern Dishes, Candlesticks, Women who wear black Sandwich Plates, Sugar and Cream Sets, Bread Trays, late

Less 20 per cent.

Elevated Gas Plates

Cast Iron Drilled Burners, Angle Iron Frames for \$1.50 for \$2.00

Gas Ranges and Water Heaters And all other styles of Gas Plates not herein listed, less 10 per cent.

Blue Flame Oil Stoves Perfection Wickless style, three-burner, low,

was \$6.50 for \$4.00 two-burner, high, was \$5.50 for \$3.50 Wick Stove, two-burner, high style, was \$8.50 for \$4.00

Washing Machines

Easy running, with white cedar tubs, were \$4.00 for \$3.20 were \$9.50 for \$7.60

Fireless Cookers

A few Cookers that have been shown as samples on the floor at very special reductions. One Cookerette was \$ 3.95 One Success was \$12.50 for \$10.00 One National was \$ 4.50 for \$ 3.00 for \$ 3.50 was \$ 5.00 Three Nationals,

Other styles, not listed, less 10 per cent.

were \$ 5.50

for \$ 4.00

Parlor Sets

Mahogany and Mahogany finish, with coverings of velour or tapestry of verdure effect, at special reductions.

Library Chairs and Davenports of luxurious style, subject to 20 per cent.

Tables

Library Tables, Occasional Tables and Colonial reproductions in Card and Piecrust Tables, Sheraton Inlaid Tip Tables and Candlestands,

Less 20 per cent. Dining Chairs, less 10 per

Mahogany Dressers. Were \$68.75 for \$49.50 Mahogany Dresser and Chiffonier, two pieces. Were \$97.00 for \$68.00 Were \$56.00 for \$38.00 Circassian Walnut Dresser. for \$30.00 Was \$42.50

Circassian Walnut Dresser and Chiffonier, 2 pieces. Were \$57.50 for \$45.00 Maple Chiffonier.

Was \$41.50

		Brass	Beds	
i Ne	Were	\$12.00	for	\$ 9.00
3	Were	\$19.00	for	\$14.50
3	Were	\$27.00	for	\$20.00
ă	Were	\$32.00	for	\$23.50
a	Were	\$34.00	for	\$25.00
ā	Were	\$38.00	for	\$28.00
	Were	\$42.00	for	\$30.00
	Was	\$45.00	for	\$28.00

Iron Beds, Springs and Mattresses, less 20 per cent.

Trunks and Bags Indestructo Wardrobe and

Steamer Was \$47.50 for \$38.00 Was \$50.00 for \$40.00 for \$42.00 Was \$52.50 Wardrobe Trunks Were \$19.25

for \$15.40 Were \$22.00 for \$17.60 Chiffonier Dress Trunk Was \$28.75 for \$20.00

Steamer Trunk Were \$ 5.25 Were \$ 6.25 for \$ 5.00 Were \$ 7.50 for \$ 6.80 skirts, Poplins, Piques and Were \$ 8.50 Were \$13.50 Were \$15.50 for \$10.80 New Cloth at proportionate for \$12.40

Were \$18.00

Were \$19.25

Dress, Skirt and Hat Trunks at proportionate reductions. **Dustproof Motor Trunks**

Were \$12.75 ning board.

Motor Suit Cases for run-

Fourth floor,

for \$14.40

for \$15.40

Less 10 per cent Carpets

Rugs Matting Linoleum and Oil Cloth Curtains Upholstery Fabrics Draperies Cretonnes and Art Fabrics Hammocks Gas Ranges and Plates Bathroom Fixtures Fireless Cookers **Electrical Appliances** Large Woodenware Ice Cream Freezers Vacuum Cleaners

Children's Coats

Refrigerators under \$15.00

Clothes Baskets, Tubs

and Boilers,

Very great bargains in little coats that are mussed and counter soiled with dust, caused by removal of walls on the second floor.

Colored Coats for ages 3, 4 and 5 years, were \$2.00 and

at \$1.00. A second lot of high grade Coats, to-close out

at \$3.98. Short White Coats for little tots, were \$3.50 for \$1.50.

Children's Headwear. All Straw Hats for little folks must go now. Styles that were \$1.00 and \$1.25, 13 cts, 2 for 25 cts.

Sunbonnets, were 50 and for 25 cts. White Lawn Fancy Bon-

nets, were 50, 75 and \$1.00.

at 25 cts. White Dress Goods

Dotted Swiss 32 inches, was 59 cts for 47 cts 27 inches, was 25 ets for 20 ets was 29 ets for 28 ets was 15 cts for 12 cts

Plain Voile was 60 cts for 54 cts was 25 ets for 22 ets

French Lawn 45 inches, was 75 cts for 60 cts was 45 ets for 36 ets Organdies

67 inches, were 75 cts for \$1.00 69 cts for .55 36 inches. White Madras 32 inches, was 50 ets for 40 ets

was 45 ets for 36 ets was 25 ets for 20 cts was 15 cts for 12 cts Crepes and Voiles 27 inches, were 35 cts for 28 cts

were 21 ets for 17 ets were 19 cts for 15 cts 40 inches, were 22 cts for 18 cts were 20 cts for 16 cts

were 18 cts for 14 cts were 16 cts for 13 cts were 15 ets for 12 ets Fancy Crepes and Voiles, for \$ 4.20 India Lawns, Persian Lawns, and the heavier weaves for

Fancy Linens

Embroidered and Lacefor \$10.20 edged Sets and Separate Pieces Luncheon Sets in all styles, Less 20 per cent.

Vacuum Cleaners

reductions.

A few Floor Samples, slightly shopworn, special, One Regina, hand power, was \$15.00 for \$12.00 Two Electrics were \$25.00 for \$15.00 Other styles, not listed, less 10 per cent.

Vacuum Bottles

These lines of Vacuum Containers, "Janus," "Hot-Kold" Bottles and Food Jars, all in first class condition. pint and quart sizes, at half-price.

Gas Irons

A few odd numbers, discontinued lines, all in good working order, complete with tube and stand.

Were \$1.75 39 Were \$1.85 fory\$1.35 Were \$2.50 7 10 for \$1.75